

STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION

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March 23, 2010

Mr. David Sammons, Owner Cedar Belle Farms 517 S. Red McCorkle Rd. Union City, TN 38261

Subject:

NPDES Permit No. TNA000195

Cedar Belle Farms

Union City, Obion County, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Sammons:

This letter acknowledges the receipt of your letter dated March 19, 2010. In your letter you explained that you intend to construct and operate two additional poultry barns and that upon completion you will have a total of six poultry barns with a capacity for 157,800 broilers.

As was discussed with you by phone conversation with Ms. Erin O'Brien, the Division of Water Pollution Control (division) is in the process of updating our Rules (which contain the division's permit requirements for concentrated animal feeding operations or CAFOs) and our general permits that will cover a majority of the CAFOs in the state of Tennessee.

At this time the division is not requiring that you submit an updated nutrient management plan (NMP) or obtain an individual permit. You are required to operate your entire facility, including the new barns, in accordance with the requirements of your existing permit. Once the division has finalized the new general permits and the permit requirements for CAFOs you will be notified. At that time you must comply with the application requirements in the new permit and submit the appropriate application for permit coverage, including an updated NMP per the requirements of the new general permit.

Please note that you may be required to obtain permit coverage under the division's NPDES Storm Water Construction Permit if you disturb more than one acre of soil during construction. More information regarding this permit is available online at http://tn.gov/environment/permits/conststrm.shtml, or you may contact the Jackson Environmental Field Office at the number listed below.

If you have questions, please contact the division at the Jackson Environmental Field Office at 1-888-891-TDEC; or, at this office, please contact Ms. Erin O'Brien at (615) 253-2245 or by E-mail at *Erin.O'Brien@tn.gov*.

Sincerely,

Vojin Janjić

Manager, Permit Section

CC/EC: DWPC, Permit Section & Jackson Environmental Field Office Mr. Jim Madding, USDA FSA, <u>jim.madding@tn.usda.gov</u>